



The Dead Stick Flyer

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- **August Meeting:**

- ***The August club meeting was held on Saturday, August 12, 2017 at the Swan Harbor RC flying field from 10am-2pm. The meeting was well attended by club members and we had our usual full spread cookout. Several pilots also got in some flying time. Chef Chris manned the mighty grill and cooked the burgers and dogs.....food cooked on the grill just tastes better and even more so at the flying field! And, even better are the great tasting tomatoes Dale gets from Brad's produce stand in Bel Air!***



- **Fall Club Picnic & September Club Meeting:**

- ***Our next event for the club will be our annual Fall Club Picnic for members and their families. It will be held on Saturday, September 9, 2017 from 10am-2pm with a rain date of September 16, 2017. We will have our monthly September club meeting during the picnic.***

- **Annual Club Meetings Schedule:**

- *At the meeting, Gary presented a revised club meeting schedule for the calendar year and members approved it with a majority vote. We will begin following this new schedule starting September 2017.*

- ***Here's the revised Club Meeting Schedule:***

- **January thru May and October thru November:**

- *Monthly club meetings will be held at the Wendy's in Aberdeen, MD on the 2nd Tuesday of each month starting at 7pm.*

- **June thru September:**

- *Monthly club meetings and a cookout will be held at the Swan Harbor RC flying field on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 10am-2pm. The Fall Club Picnic will be held on the same day as the September Club meeting.*

- **December:**

- *The December Club Meeting will be held at the annual Christmas Party. Details of this event will be made available in advance of the party.*

- ***At the July club meeting, Field Improvements for 2018 were discussed. No additional information has been presented:***

- ***Gary discussed some field improvements being kicked around for 2018:***

- **Option 1** > *BGE Utility Electric at the field for charging batteries and general field maintenance. This would be an expensive option with a large cash outlay to get it installed but a nominal monthly expense for the active service on-going.*
 - *This solution would provide 110 volts of house power. Members would need to use A/C power supplies or chargers with built-in power supplies for their charging gear.*
 - *BGE pricing will be sought and evaluated.*
- **Option 2** > *Solar Panel Kit with deep cycle 12 volt batteries. This would be a much cheaper solution and should provide enough power to handle our members' requirements.*

- *This set up will provide 12 volts of power for most RC battery chargers and accessories. Also, a 110 volt inverter for light duty house power requirements could be installed.*
- *Reference: Model Aviation Magazine article for July 2017, page 110, "Solar Power at the Field." In this article you will see an example of the solar panels that could be installed atop the shed and the power connections and charging stations that could be installed down below.*
- *This option will also be priced out and evaluated.*

○ *Member PICs Submitted for the Newsletter:*

Jim Snyder's B25, Achille & Ron



Fred Visnow's Fuel Truck



Bob Walker's T28 at Rest



- **Protection from the Sun:** *The nature of our great RC Hobby dictates that we are out in the sun while we fly our aircraft. We need be mindful and diligent about taking care of ourselves against the harmful rays of the sun. It is very important to apply sunscreen and wear hats to protect our heads, necks and faces from sunburn and the problems that can cause down the road. Just friendly words of advice for our members.*

- **What are Members Working On:** *Building a new aircraft, assembling an ARF, working on an old reliable? We'd love to hear what you are working on. Send us some information and a couple pics of your project and we'll post it in the monthly Newsletter. Send your emails to: ronlazzeri@verizon.net.*

- **Need Help Flying? Are you new or returning to the RC Hobby?**
 - *Come to our monthly club meetings – meet some of our “RC Pilots”*
 - *Get a computer based “RC Flight Simulator”*
 - *Line up some assistance for the 2017 flying season*
 - *Start with the right aircraft to be successful*
 - *Best advice....Don't be afraid to ask for help!!*

General Information:

Newsletter:

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Photos:

Anyone who would like to have new photos appear in the slideshow, the photo gallery, or Newsletter is encouraged to send their photos to Stephen Slotnick at sslotnick@mac.com and he will add them as soon as he can.

Interest in Joining the Club:

Please see the instructions on the Swan Harbor RC website www.SwanHarborRC.com under the heading “How to Join.” Additional membership information or questions can be obtained from Steve Snyder at (443) 243-4324 or email: snyder800@gmail.com.